

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND claims 12, 13, and 18; and

Please ADD claims 19-39, as shown below.

1. (Previously Presented) A method, comprising:

sending a message from a first party to a second party in a communication system;

sending a response to the message, the response including at least one parameter in breach of a policy for a communication between the first party and the second party;

detecting in a network controller that the response includes at least one parameter breaching the policy; and

modifying, by the network controller, the at least one parameter to be consistent with the policy.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the modifying comprises modifying the at least one parameter by the first party.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the detecting comprises detecting in the network controller that provides a call session control function.

6. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 5, wherein the detecting comprises detecting in the network controller that provides the call session control function comprising at least one of a proxy call session control function or a serving call session control function.

7. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the detecting comprises detecting that the response includes the at least one parameter comprising a parameter of a session description protocol.

8. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the sending comprises sending the response in accordance with a session initiation protocol.

9. (Previously Presented) A controller, configured to:

- operate in a communication system;
- handle responses and requests between parties of communication sessions;
- forward a message from a first party to a second party;
- check whether a response to the message includes at least one parameter in breach of a policy for the communication between the parties; and

modify the at least one parameter to be consistent with the policy.

10. (Previously Presented) A communication system, comprising:

a controller configured to handle responses and requests between parties of communication sessions, forward a message from a first party to a second party, check whether a response to the message includes at least one parameter in breach of a policy for the communication between the parties, and modify the at least one parameter to be consistent with the policy,

wherein the communication system is configured to provide the communication sessions between the parties, and

wherein the parties are connected to the communication system.

11. (Previously Presented) A communication system, comprising:

sending means for sending a message from a first party to a second party;

sending means for sending a response to the message, the response including at least one parameter in breach of a policy for a communication between the first party and the second party;

detecting means for detecting in a network controller that the response includes at least one parameter breaching the policy; and

modifying means for modifying the at least one parameter to be consistent with the policy,

wherein the communication system is configured to provide the communication sessions between the parties, and

wherein the parties are connected to the communication system.

12. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:
sending a message from a first party to a second party in a communication system;
awaiting a response to the message,
receiving the response, the response including at least one parameter in breach of a policy for a communication between the first party and the second party; and
modifying the at least one parameter to be consistent with the policy.

13. (Currently Amended) The communication system as claimed in claim 10,
wherein the controller is configured to pass the response unmodified from the second party to the first party, and check to determine whether a further message from the first party responding to the response includes the at least one parameter in breach of the policy.

14. (Previously Presented) The communication system as claimed in claim 10,
wherein the controller is configured to provide a call session control function.

15. (Previously Presented) The communication system as claimed in claim 14,
wherein the controller comprises at least one of a proxy call session control function or a serving call session control function.

16. (Previously Presented) The communication system as claimed in claim 10, wherein the controller is configured to detect that the response includes a parameter of a session description protocol.

17. (Previously Presented) The communication system as claimed in claim 10, wherein the controller is configured to send the response in accordance with a session initiation protocol.

18. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:

- ~~sending~~ passing a message from a first party to a second party in a communication system;
- ~~sending~~ receiving a response to the message, the response including at least one parameter in breach of a policy for a communication between the first party and the second party;
- ~~detecting in a network controller that the response includes at least one parameter breaching the policy;~~
- passing the response unmodified from the second party to the first party; and
- ~~detecting~~ determining in a network controller that the response includes one or more of said at least one parameter ~~breaching~~ breaches the policy.

19. (New) The method according to claim 18, further comprising:

sending a further message from the first party to the network controller, said determining comprising detecting at least one parameter in breach of the policy in the further message.

20. (New) The method according to claim 19, further comprising:
responsive to said detecting, sending to the first party by the network controller another message containing the policy allowed payload.

21. (New) A controller, configured to:
forward a message from a first party to a second party in a communication system;
forward a response to the message, the response including at least one parameter in breach of a policy for a communication between the first party and the second party;
pass the response unmodified from the second party to the first party; and
determine in a network controller that one or more of said at least one parameter breaches the policy.

22. (New) The controller according to claim 21, configured to detect at least one parameter in breach of the policy in a further message from the first party.

23. (New) The controller according to claim 22, configured to send to the first party another message containing the policy allowed payload in response to detection of said at least one parameter in breach of the policy.

24. (New) A communications system for providing communication sessions between parties connected thereto, the communication system comprising a controller configured to:

- forward a message from a first party to a second party in a communication system;
- forward a response to the message, the response including at least one parameter in breach of a policy for a communication between the first party and the second party;
- pass the response unmodified from the second party to the first party;
- detect one or more of said at least one parameter in breach of the policy in a further message from the first party; and
- send to the first party another message containing the policy allowed payload in response to detection of said at least one parameter in breach of the policy.

25. (New) A method in a communication system for handling responses to messages, the method comprising:

- passing a message from a first party to a second party in a communication system;
- receiving a response from the second party to the first party, the response including at least one parameter in breach of a policy for communication between the parties;
- determining in a network controller that one or more of said at least one parameter is in breach of the policy; and
- sending a further message including a definition of the policy to the first party.

26. (New) The method according to claim 25, wherein the sending of the further message comprises sending information of at least one parameter in consistency with the policy.

27. (New) A communication system for providing communication sessions between parties connected thereto, the communication system comprising a controller configured to:

- handle responses and requests between parties of communication sessions;
- forward a message from a first party to a second party in the communication system;
- forward a response from the second party to the first party, the response including at least one parameter in breach of a policy for communication between the parties;
- determine that the response includes at least one parameter in breach of the policy;
- and
- send a further message including a definition of the policy to the first party.

28. (New) A controller for providing communication configured to:

- handle responses and requests between parties of communication sessions;
- forward a message from a first party to a second party in the communication system;

forward a message from the second party to the first party, the message including at least one parameter in breach of a policy for communication between the parties;
determine that at least one parameter is in breach of the policy; and
send a further message including a definition of the policy to the first party.

29. (New) The controller according to claim 28, wherein the controller is configured to include in the further message information of at least one parameter in is consistency with the policy.

30. (New) A method, comprising:
passing a message from a first party to a second party in a communication system;
receiving a response including at least one parameter in breach of a policy for a communication between a first party and a second party;
passing the response unmodified from the second party to the first party;
sending by the first party a further message including at least one parameter in breach of the policy; and
detecting in a network controller that the further message includes at least one parameter breaching the policy.

31. (New) The method according to claim 30, further comprising sending a further response including a definition of the policy to the first party.

32. (New) A controller for providing communication, configured to:

- forward a message from a first party to a second party in a communication system;
- forward a response including at least one parameter in breach of a policy for communication between the first party and the second party unmodified from the second party to the first party;
- receive a further message from the first party including at least one parameter in breach of the policy; and
- detect that the further message includes at least one parameter in breach of the policy.

33. (New) The controller according to claim 32, configured to send a further response including a definition of the policy to the first party.

34. (New) A communication system for providing communication between parties connected thereto, comprising:

- a controller configured to:
 - forward a message from a first party to a second party in a communication system;
 - forward a response including at least one parameter in breach of a policy for communication between the first party and the second party unmodified from the second party to the first party;
 - receive a further message from the first party including at least one parameter in breach of the policy; and

detect that the further message includes at least one parameter in breach of the policy.

35. (New) A communication system for providing communication sessions between parties connected thereto, the communication system comprising:

first forwarding means for forwarding a Session Initiation Protocol session initiation message from a first party to a second party in a communication system;

second forwarding means for forwarding a Session Initiation Protocol response to the message;

passing means for passing the response unmodified from the second party to the first party;

receiving means for receiving a response from the first party; and

determining means for determining that one or more of said at least one parameter in the response breaches the policy.

36. (New) A user equipment, configured to:

send a message to a second user equipment;

receive a response to the message, the response including at least one parameter in breach of a policy;

modify at least one parameter into consistency with the policy; and

send a further message to a network controller, the further message including the modification.

37. The user equipment of claim 36, configured to further modify at least one parameter in response to a response to the further message.

38. (New) The user equipment according to claim 37, wherein the user equipment is configured to modify the at least one parameter to be consistent with a local policy.

39. (New) A user equipment, comprising:

- first sending means for sending a message to a second user equipment;
- receiving means for receiving a response to the message, the response including at least one parameter in breach of a policy;
- controller means for modifying at least one parameter into consistency with the policy; and
- second sending means for sending a further message to a network controller, the further message including at least one modified parameter;

wherein the controller means is further configured to further modify the at least one parameter in response to a response to the further message.